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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Hark Chan ) Examiner: William D. Cumming  
Serial No.: 09/188,157 )  
Filed: November 8, 1998 ) Group Art Unit: 2684  
For: Information Distribution System )

**AMENDMENT A**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2001, please amend the above-captioned  
patent application shown below. Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully  
requested.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claim 1 (Twice Amended). A method for distributing digital data to a plurality of  
remote sites each having a processing device and a display device, comprising the steps of:  
generating a first set of digital data;  
encoding each of a plurality of portable read-only storage devices with said first set of  
digital data;  
distributing said plurality of storage devices to said plurality of remote sites;  
providing a database containing a second set of digital data and remotely communicating  
with said sites using communication channels;  
said first set of digital data comprising a first set of displayable data, a plurality of  
formatting codes, a second set of displayable data, a first non-displayable data, a non-displayable  
first linkage reference, and a second non-displayable data, said second set of displayable data

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